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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE TIMOR: LETTER FROM SYG WALDHEIM TO PRESIDENT
OF SECURITY COUNCIL IN RESPONSE TO TELEGRAM FROM GOVERNMENT OF
INDONESIA

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1. ON 21 JULY PRESIDENT OF SECURITY COUNCIL VINCI (ITALY)
CIRCULATED FOLLOWING LETTER FROM SYG WALDHEIM DATED 19 JULY IN
RESPONSE TO TELEGRAM FROM GOVERNMENT OF INDONESIA (REFTEL)
REGRETTING THAT SYG UNABLE RESPOND POSITIVELY TO GOI INVI-
TATION TO VISIT TIMOR.

QUOTE EXCELLENCY,

I AM ENCLOSING HERewith A COPY OF A TELEGRAM
WHICH I RECEIVED FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF
INDONESIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS. IN THIS CONNEXION,
I SHOULD LIKE TO RECALL THAT BY OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 3
OF ITS RESOLUTION 389 (1976) OF 22 APRIL 1976, THE
SECURITY COUNCIL REQUESTED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO
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HAVE HIS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE CONTINUE THE ASSIGN-

MENT ENTRUSTED TO HIM UNDER PARAGRAPH 5 OF SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 384 (1975) AND PURSUE CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED. BY OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH 4 OF THE SAME RESOLUTION, THE SECURITY COUNCIL REQUESTED THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO FOLLOW THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRESENT RESOLUTION AND SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

ON 22 JUNE, MY SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE SUBMITTED TO ME A WRITTEN REPORT IN WHICH HE PROVIDED AN ACCOUNT OF HIS CONTACTS WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED. ON THE SAME DATE, I TRANSMITTED MY SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL TO ASSIST THE COUNCIL IN ITS FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE QUESTION (S/12106).

I AM ADVISED BY THE LEGAL COUNSEL THAT IN THE LIGHT OF THE ABOVE, AND BEARING IN MIND THAT THE QUESTION OF TIMOR IS STILL BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL SHOULD NOT TAKE FURTHER ACTION WITHOUT THE COUNCIL'S GUIDANCE. THIS VIEW IS STRENGTHENED BY THE FACT THAT THE INDONESIAN GOVERNMENT HAS ADDRESSED A SIMILAR TELEGRAM TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL ITSELF. UNQUOTE
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